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Method For Generating A Print Data File, Method For Storing Print Data, A Data Storage Medium Therefor, And An Apparatus

For Generating A Data Storage File

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed information are also enclosed.

Information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in communications from a foreign Patent Office in connection with related foreign applications. Copies of those communications are submitted herewith.

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